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## SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants enclose an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) which lists the documents noted in Japanese Office Action for Application No. 2006-522904 issued on August 30, 2011 being filed herewith. A copy of the non-U.S. documents cited therein is enclosed. Documents AA and AH and documents AB and AI are counterparts. Also, please note that documents 1-3 and 6 cited in the office action are not cited herein because they were cited previously by the Applicants' and Examiner.

Applicants certify under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner, that they be made officially of record therein, and that the documents be listed on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

A Final Office Action on the merits has issued for this application. In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicants also submit payment of the \$180 requisite fee (37 C.F.R §1.17(p).

Respectfully submitted,

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